N.V.N. SOMU): (a) and (b) At present, Gwalior is the only Air Force Base in Madhya Pradesh.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal for setting up Air Force units in Jaipur, Vidisha or Narsingarh.

Unauthorisedly use of defence land for non-defence purposes

4142. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI S.M. KRISHNA:
PROF. RAM KAPSE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that several acres of Government land under his Ministry are being unauthorisedly used for non-defence purposes by various Army/Air Force/Navy/Coast Guards Units in various parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Ministry has been consulted in this regard if so, the details thereof and the guidelines in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken to curb the practice and the action taken against those responsible for such unauthorised use?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU): (a) to (c) Some instances where defence land was unauthorisedly used by the Services for non-defences purposes have been brought to the notice of the Government. Full details of such are being obtained. Ministry is looking into each such case which has been brought to its notice and action as appropriate is being taken.

Construction of Submarines at Mazagaon Dock Limited

4143. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct submarines indigenously at Mazagaon Dock Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the submarines are likely to be ready for use?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU): (a) to (c) Government sanction has been issued for indigenous construction of two SSK Submarines at Mazagaon Dock Limited, Mumbai. These are likely to be inducted in the Indian Navy between the years 2004 and 2006.

Acquisition of up-to-date versions of submarines

4144. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sub-marine wing of the Indian Navy is adequately equipped to meet the Pakistani and other onslaughts;

(b) if not, the steps being taken to acquire up-to-date versions of submarines; and

(c) whether there is a proposal to acquire submarines from Russia; if so, details thereof; and whether during his recent visit to Russia he discussed the relevant aspects with the Government if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N SOMU): (a) to (c) Government sanction has been given for the